



Rural Roots is an innovative, for-youth by-youth project bringing GLOBAL EDUCATION and LEADERSHIP TRAINING to youth around Alberta.

Calling all youth!

- Investigate the root causes of global poverty
- Meet youth that are interested in making a difference
- Share strategies for social justice
- Prepare yourself as a GLOBAL CITIZEN.

“ The Rural Roots project has profoundly influenced my life. It truly was an eye opener for me and for the students who had the opportunity to immerse themselves in our presentation.”



ordinary people can do extraordinary things!



Accomplishments

- 2004 Lee Global Education Award
- 2001 Salvos Prelorentzos Peace Award
- 2000 YMCA Peace Medal
- 2005 Laurel Award Nomination

Get involved!

- Volunteer to facilitate a presentation
- Host a presentation at your school or organization
- Join our Education Committee
- Sign up to receive our quarterly newsletter
- Write an article for a CFCA publication or website



Working for a Better Tomorrow

The responsibility to foster global education and active involvement in development among Canadians was part of the Change for Children founding mandate when it registered as a non-profit organization in 1976. Your support helps us to continue as partners in learning for global justice in Alberta and around the world.



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GLOBAL EDUCATION PROGRAM partners in learning for global justice

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CHANGE FOR CHILDREN'S GLOBAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Change for Children works to raise awareness, support, analysis, and inspire action on issues of global justice. Working with youth, schools, newcomers, and community groups, CFCFA runs innovative educational programs and supports a strong and committed community of engaged Canadians.

Change for Children's Global Education Program works to build hope and concrete skills to allow real long term change through the following areas:

KNOWLEDGE

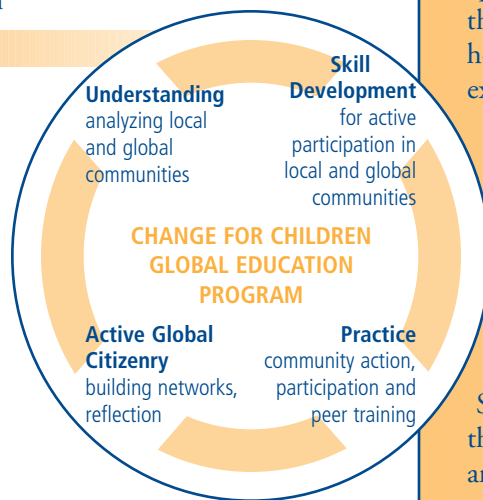
- Understand international social and political issues
- Awareness of history, colonialism and structures of power
- Recognition of our dependence on a sustainable environment

SKILLS

- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Evaluate different points of view
- Analyze local and global issues
- Dialogue, communication, participation and cooperation

ATTITUDES

- Responsible citizenship
- A concern for injustice
- Respect for human rights
- An appreciation of the urgency and importance of individual awareness and action



Why Global Education?

“Global education has given my students the ability to look at the world through a different and more comprehensive lens. They appreciate what they learn and they believe that the understanding they gain can make them more responsible global citizens.” – Dr. Jenny Jones, Global Education Professor, University of Alberta

from awareness to action

GLOBAL EDUCATION WORKSHOPS

Change for Children's interactive, fun and age-appropriate workshops are developed to enrich the Alberta K-12 social studies curriculum, helping concepts come to life through practical examples of our overseas projects. **Book us for a presentation at your school, conference, or community group!**

ELEMENTARY *The Children of Latin America* – Students compare and contrast the lives of Albertan children with those in the Global South.

GRADE 7 *Intercultural Understanding* – Students explore the concept of culture through intercultural communication activities and examples from South America.

Global education is important for Albertans because it reminds us of our place – and our responsibilities – within this wonderful and troubled web that envelops and includes our Earth. Whether we realize it or not, we are truly connected to all. – Dr. Darren Lund, Founder, Students and Teachers Opposing Prejudice.

Change for Children – A Community Education Resource

Change for Children maintains a number of information resources for community use. We offer:

- A Resource Library specializing in Latin and South America
- A quarterly newsletter – see our special teacher section
- An interactive website for information about overseas projects, global issues and ideas for youth
- Teaching tools and enrichment activities for global classrooms
- An electronic global education newsletter

Providing Spaces for Public Engagement

Develop skills and make new friends through the CFCFA community!

World Watch – a monthly film and discussion night

Speakers Bureau – volunteer presenters and Spanish translators

Workshops – host or facilitate a presentation

One World Beat – our annual concert featuring local artists, food and fun



GRADE 8 *Brazil* - Students look at the lives of marginalized children in Brazil, and issues of health, education, and culture.

Grade 9 *Economic Growth* - Students trace the web of interconnected factors related to policies of economic growth in Canada and the effects of these policies, with an emphasis on disparity in quality of life.

Social Studies 10/13

- *Canada and the Global South* – Students examine the role of non-governmental organizations in Canada and the Global South.
- *Protecting Human Rights* – Students look at the relevance of human rights issues in their lives.

Social Studies 20/23

- *The Global Kitchen* – Students examine globalization and the interdependence between Canada and other countries.
- *Water and the Environment* – Students explore water consumption, trade and other pertinent water issues in local and global contexts.

Social Studies 30/33

- *The Rise of Multinational Corporations* – Students investigate the global context of multinational corporations, including the roles of international financial institutions and agreements.
- *Global Poverty and Debt* – Students analyze the ties between poverty, debt, international financial architecture and Canada.